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News Release

Police Partner for Special Olympics

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The Rockingham County Sheriff's Office and the Harrisonburg Police Department will partner this weekend to benefit the Special Olympics.

On Feb. 6, 11 law enforcement officers, from Harrisonburg and Rockingham County, will plunge into the frigid waters of the Atlantic Ocean in Virginia Beach. The temperature of the water is approximately 50 degrees and the temperature outside is 42 degrees.

Although this will be a cold swim, these officers participate in order to raise money and to support Special Olympics Virginia. Approximately \$4,500 was raised by local law enforcement for this event and will benefit the local athletes.

This is the 18th Annual Polar Plunge, where more than 3,200 people will take on the chilly challenge. Since the 1st Polar Plunge in 1993, more than \$4.7 million has been raised for Special Olympics Virginia.